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Application No.: 10/605,237
Docket No.: 9758-US-PA

REMARKS**Present Status of the Application**

In the Office Action, claims 1-9 are rejected. Specifically, claims 1-3, 5-7 and 9 are rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Stout (US Patent No. 6,612,874). Moreover, claims 4, 8 and 10-13 are rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Stout (US Patent No. 6,612,874). Reconsideration and allowance of those claims is respectfully requested.

Discussion of Office Action Rejections**Response to Claims Rejections under 35 USC § 102**

Claims 1-3, 5-7 and 9 are rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Stout.

For a proper rejection of a claim under 35 U.S.C. section 102, the cited reference must disclose all elements/features/steps of the claim.

Independent claim 1, as amended, states:

Claim 1. An interface apparatus with a rotational mechanism for connecting with an interface port in an electronic product, the interface apparatus comprising:

a body ~~selected from a group comprising a memory module or a memory adapter;~~
a connector for connecting with an interface port; and
a rotational mechanism for linking the body and the connector.

(Emphasis Added)

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Independent claim 1 is allowable for at least the reasons that Stout does not disclose, teach or suggest the feature that "a body comprising a memory module" as highlighted above.

It is noted that, referring to Stout, the device 14 is a wireless communication antenna device 14. However, the body of the interface apparatus of the application comprises a memory module.

Thus, Stout does not anticipate claim 1. The withdrawal of the rejection and the allowance of claim 1 are therefore earnestly solicited.

If independent claim 1 is allowable over the prior art of record, then its dependent claims 2-13 are allowable as a matter of law, because these dependent claims contain all features/elements/steps of its respective independent claim 1.

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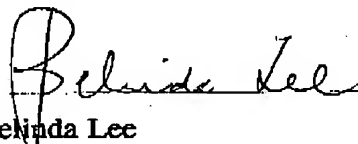
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CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is believed that all pending claims 1-13 are in proper condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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